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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. 00-713-i8)

In re Application of:)

Chad A. Mirkin, et al.)

Serial No.: 09/974,007)

Filed: October 10, 2001)

For: NANOPARTICLES HAVING)

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Please consider the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office Action mailed September 4, 2003. A Petition for an extension of time (three months), a Terminal Disclaimer, and requisite fees are attached herewith.